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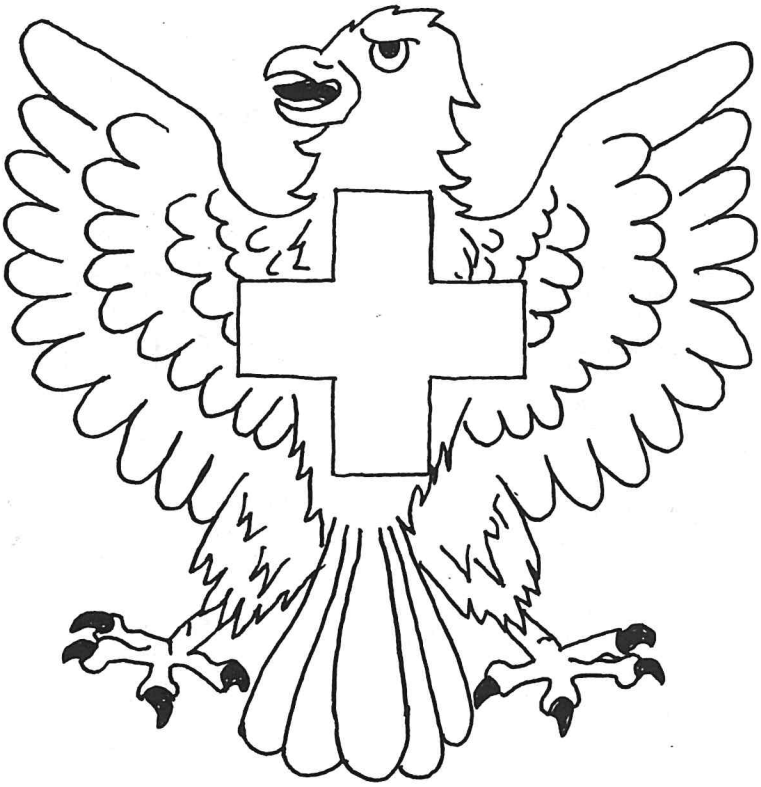

The badge of ADHOC — Ancient, Dedicated House of Curmudgeons

A hawk sable displayed surmounted by a couped cross argent.

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Officers reports are due at officers meeting

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4 UH Fighter Practice City Park	5 Discussion Group	6 Bofharrach	7	8 Archery	9	10 Three Hawks
11 UH Fighter Practice, 3 Hawks	12 Dance Practice	13 Bofharrach	14	15 Archery, Equestrian	16	17 Windkeep Defender
18 UH Fighter Practice City Park	19 Officer's Meeting	20 Bofharrach	21	22 Archery	23 Dragon Quest	24 Dragon Quest
25 UH Fighter Practice, Dragon Q.	26 Dance Practice	27 Bofharrach	28	29 Archery	30 Field of Gold	

Archery - 5-7 PM, UH Fighter - 1-5 PM, Bofharrach 6-9 PM, St. Martin (St. Marins is not meeting during the summer.)

Information on weekly Baronial activities is on the inside back cover. Information on Bofharrach activities is located in the Bofarrach section in the center of the Tosspot.

August

3 - **Rapier Collegium (Unser Hafen) Gerard (970) 350-4978** 8
5 - Discussion Group (Unser Hafen) Leonora (970) 6693835 6
10 - Longmont Shakespeare Festival Eleanor (970) 482-7249
9-11 - Three Hawks (Hawk's Hollow) Tambriel (303) 288-3828 9
17-18 - New West Fest Demo (Unser Hafen) Theresea (970) 482-6608
17 - Windkeep Defender (Windkeep) Isabeau (305) 634-3500
23-25 - Dragon's Quest V (Hinterland) Peregrine (308) 436-2690
30-9/2- Field of Gold Tourney (Caerthe) - Caelainn (303) 287-6963

September

7 - Favor Tourney (Dragonsspine) Leofsige (719) 550-1809
14 - Queen's Prize Tourney (Caerthe) Madigan (505) 260-0325 10
14-15 - Highland Games Demo (Unser Hafen) Akira (970) 498-0798
21 - Blacksmithing at Master Thorfinn's
28 - An Heir to Bayard (Unser Hafen) Rossilin (970) 484-2213 12

October

5 - Newcomer's Champion Tourney (Unser Hafen) Timon (970) 352-3265
12-13- Outlands A & S Collegium (al-Barran) Aurelia (505)880-2430

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Unto the good people of Unser Hafen, greetings from Llamrei and Titus, Chieftain and Praefectus.

Congratulations to Master Giovanni di Sienna and Duchess Jeanne d'Aussay, our Crown Prince and Princess! They will succeed Their Majesties Irel and Ileana in November. You may have heard that our own Akira-sama placed second in Crown Tournament-Banzai! We had 5 fighters from Unser Hafen in Crown Tournament, and all fought well and honorably.

What a fine Defender Tournament we had! Petrov Petrovich is our new Defender, having won that title by right of arms in a very exciting Saxon holmgang tournament. Mistress Rashiqah is our new Protector, and Takashi-sama is our new Warden. Mistress Rashiqah is also our new Bard. Congratulations to them all, and many thanks for the fine service of our outgoing Defender, Sir Deotrich; our outgoing Protector, Egbert; our outgoing Warden, Lord Duncan, and our outgoing Bard, Mistress Branwen. We also retired the guard with our thanks and custos veteras diplomas. The new guards are: Lady Wenhauer, Lord Caradoc, Moryen, Lord Lochlainn, Lorcan, Lady Aldichinna, and Jobita, our first ever Equestrian guard. The Iron Warriors this year (who competed in archery, heavy weapons, and fencing, all on the same very hot day!) were Lady Wenhauer, Lord Caradoc, and Lord Mavriki of Windkeep. Well done, all.

There are a great many people to thank who made the event a smashing success and a really good time. First, Syr Deotrich and THL Leonora. Syr Deotrich and a devoted band of volunteers worked above and beyond the call of duty to convert a very primitive site into a livable camp, and we thank them profusely. Syr Deotrich managed to keep things running smoothly and on time, an admirable feat. THL Leonora and her crew prepared an excellent feast under difficult conditions. We also thank THL Aldith of Windkeep for her help with the feast. Special thanks to Lord Gunther for organizing children's activities on short notice and keeping the children safe and entertained. The waterbearers, led by Phaedra, were excellent and worked very hard. The heat was ferocious all weekend, and I think the efforts of the waterbearers saved most people from having problems with the heat. We brought six horses to the site for the equestrian demo, and many people helped take care of them: Isabeau, Regan, Takashi, Lorcan, Andrea, and many others helped the horse owners make this a pleasant event for the horses as well. Thanks to Toki and Jobita, Dubheasa, and Moyra for allowing their horses to be ridden in court (and Saleh of course, but he likes that sort of thing). Thanks to Mistress Branwyn for running the bardic competition. Thanks to everyone who marshalled, hauled water, helped with tents, and took care of people. It takes all of us to make an event work. I apologize to anyone whom I have not mentioned by name, but know your work is appreciated. Thanks to their Majesties, Irel and Ileana, to his Royal Highness Giovanni, and to their Excellencies Fiachra and Walter of Caerthe and Maelmarden and Brilliana of Dragonsspine for joining us for the weekend.

There were many performances and entertainments at Defender, not the least of which were the

Llamrei **Chieftan**		Titus **Praefectus**
Petrov Petrovich **Defender**	Mistress Rashiqah bint Azhar **Protector**	Sone Minimoto Takashige **Warden**
	Baronial Guard	
Lady Wenhauer Lady Aildhcinna	Lord Caradoc Lorcan Jobita	Moryen Lord Lochlainn
Axel **Baronial Page**	Lord Theopompus Leonidas **Lictor**	Mistress Rashiqah bint Azhar **Baronial Bard**

shooting stars, lightning, and fireflies! The sword dance devised by THL Catriona was spectacular. Mistress Rashiqah's troupe performed for the first time in public at the bardic fire and did an excellent job, with the wind in their hair and the firelight on their faces-a magical scene. And if you missed both performances of "Ninja Knight" -- well, you had to be there. The Equestrian guild made their debut with a demonstration of the Quadrille and the Games on Saturday afternoon, and while the competition for Baronial Bard was a little lean (only two brave souls, but very high quality!), the singing at the fire went on until dawn. Congratulations to **Mistress** Rosalind of Wellmark, Mistress of the Pelican, who stood her vigil Saturday night and received her accolade on Sunday morning in a beautiful ceremony. Congratulations also to **Lady** Ariel, **Lady** Aldichinna, and **Lord** Mitusada, who received their awards of arms from Their Majesties on Sunday.

We had the distinct pleasure and honor of giving some Unser Hafen Baronial Awards at Defender Tourney. Congratulations to Takashi-sama, newest companion of the Golden Columbine, Lord Loarin and Lady Killinen, newest companions of the Golden Ring, Lord Gunther der Wanderer, newest companion of the Builders of the Portcullis (he cast his own medallion!) and to Lord Caradoc and Syr Deotrich, newest companions of the Keepers of the Portcullis.

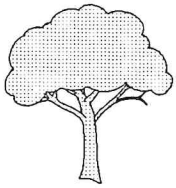
We finally put that loud-mouthed upstart Sir Otto back into his place. We had hoped to settle this without blows, but after he circulated an obviously retouched painting of his alleged ancestor Otto I in the Unser Hafen Baronial coronet, we had no choice. Mistress Branwen devastated him with a song on Saturday night, and then (after he carried off Lady Dubhesa, no less!) we gathered our warriors and chased him down Sunday morning, crushing him and his misguided allies from Caer Galen. Then we evened up the sides and beat each other up for fun. A great time was had by all.

Once we all get rested and finish the mountains of laundry, we must look ahead to the Rapier Collegium on August 3rd and the New West Fest demo on August 17 and 18. We are changing the way we do the new West Fest demo! We are doing a coordinated 1-hour show on each day, rather than the gruelling all-day demo. For each day we need 6 or so heavy fighters, 4-6 fencers, 6-8 dancers, a herald, 2 marshals and a few others in your best finery. Please contact THL Theresea if you are interested in helping with this demo! THL Akira is coordinating the Highland Games demo. We are planning a more streamlined demo here, too, so please contact Akira if you are interested in participating. The Fields of Gold Challenges with Dragonsspine and Caerthe are coming up on Labor Day weekend, and we want Unser Hafen to look as good as possible. We will be running a fencing, a heavy weapons, and an archery tourney at this event, and THL Theresea is doing the feast, so we will need lots of volunteers. Please note that several offices changed hands at Defender-check the front cover of the Tosspot for new contacts. Also note that the summer fighter practice site is moving to City Park, in hopes of attracting more attention (and hopefully fighters!) starting the first weekend of August.

I'll be carrying the glow of Defender with me for some time. It just doesn't get better than that - riding fast horses, fighting battles, lying under the stars sipping whiskey and singing, working and playing and sweating with good friends. That's what it's all about.

In Service,

Llamrei



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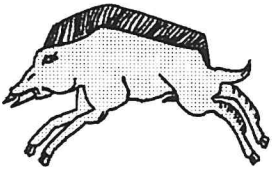

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Officer's Reports

Seneschal's Report:

Greetings and good health to you all!

Last month was a busy one for the officer corps. Many of the offices changed hands in both Bo Fharrach and Unser Hafen. All these new officers can use your patience and help as they adjust to their new responsibilities and decide what they want to accomplish in their office.

Upcoming demos:

August 10: Longmont Shakespeare Festival..... Eleanor Aelfheah 482-7249
August 17/18: New West Fest.....Theresa die Tanzerin 482-6608
September 14/15: Highland Games..... .. Sekimura Minamoto Akiranaga (Akira) 498-0798

Both Highland Games and New West Fest will have very different formats this year. The autocrats are trying hard to address some of the issues brought up from previous years. Please support them in their efforts. If you're not sure how to support them, a good start would be contacting them _early_ if you plan on attending that event. That way the autocrats know how many people they need to recruit and how many people they already have.

Rashiqah

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Unto the Populace of the Barony of Unser Hafen does Lord Mark send heartfelt greetings:

Although the state of our treasury is strong, with a current balance of 2633.42, I feel that I must warn the populace that our expenditures in the second quarter of this year exceeded our income by over $800. At this pace, we will be in a sorry state indeed very soon. Many of the recent expenses should more properly be spread over a longer period of time (this includes most of the cost of the winter fighter practice site, and 6 mos of the dance practice site) but nonetheless, we need to be thinking of ways that we can increase our income and decrease expenses if we are to maintain a few coins in our coffers.

In service to the Dream, I am

Mark de Saint Sauver-le-Viconte

From the Knight Marshal of Unser Hafen

We are now knee deep in the summer tourney season and I want to start my missive by reminding everyone of the dangers of dehydration and sun burn. PLEASE be careful: drink liquids, use sunscreen, and rest in the shade as much as possible.

I also want everyone to be aware of the results of the polling I have undertaken these last two months. On the first question - should practice be moved to 2 PM to alleviate chronic lateness caused by mundane pressures or would people only show up at 3 PM? - there was an overwhelming response: NO. Well over 90% of people agreed that it would only make it worse. Therefore practice will remain at 1 PM. On the second question - should practice be moved to City Park for better public exposure? - There was a resounding YES. However there were some very vocal dissenters with valid concerns. As a recap for those who have missed this discussion for the last month the arguments follow.

PRO: better public exposure; higher traffic; younger people more likely to be interested in fighting frequent the area more the Spring Creek, which may mean a boost to our ailing fighter core; more shade; and more central location for many people.

CON: more traffic means less privacy - the possibility of every day a demo crops up; possibly our equipment may not be as safe as at Spring Creek; and bathroom facilities are much farther away

At the time of this writing I am awaiting the final decision from Their Excellencies as to whether we will implement this change. However, by the time of the publication of this letter the decision will be known. PLEASE LOOK FOR THE FINAL DECISION ELSEWHERE IN THE TOSSPOT. If the change is implemented it will likely start at the first practice in August. If the move is made the populace will be polled again at a later date and asked if they wish to remain at City Park or move back to Spring Creek. Please call me if you are unsure at (970) 416-0474.

In closing I would like to congratulate our new Defender, Protector, and Warden and wish them an easy term with no need to exercise their martial responsibilities in defense of this fair Barony. Also, please attend the Rapier Collegium here in August! See you all next month.

In Service to the Dream,

Caradoc

Greetings from Robin of Bristol, retired Chronicler

I just wanted to write a little note to say thank you to everyone for all the help and the great amount of patience. It has been really fun working on the Tosspot these past three plus years. The artwork, the articles (like Allergicus Udderus), and the fun quotes. Now you need no longer hold your tongues in my presence, you now need to watch out for Mistress Rosalind.

I still have a piece of unfinished business. I am working on a history of the Barony. I have things from some of the long time members (like Sir Kevin, Marshak, THL Theresea) but I would like more input. You needn't worry about your writing style because I will write it myself after I have enough information. Although, in keeping with some Medieval writings, if you say it better than I can I'll use your words. Also, given the accuracy of some Medieval historical documents I will also use any "creative" accounts if I lack any hard information. Basically I want you (the populace and friends thereof) to tell me anything you can remember. When I have it finished (by next Defender?) I will present a copy to their Excellencies.

Well, it's time for a little R&R. Maybe you'll see more of me now.

Remaining in Service to the Barony

Robert Spenser of Bristol

FROM THE CHRONICLER

Greetings. I must say that it will be quite a challenge maintaining the high standards of quality and creativity that Load Robin has established in his years as our Chronicler. I encourage each of you to tell Robin how much we have appreciated his work. And, in order to help this poor new chronicler in her learning process, please get me your articles as soon as possible in the month and electronically whenever possible. My e-mail is on the officer's page if you have access to the Internet. If you have artwork you would like to see used on the cover, or ideas on what you would like to see, let me know. If you have had your device passed and it has never been printed on the Tosspot cover, give me a call.

I am in need of at least one deputy to assist in this office. Responsibilities can be either routine or challenging, as you choose. And you don't necessarily need to assume the office when I leave it. Volunteering to assist with a Baronial office - anyone's office - is a great way to learn new things, meet people, and contribute to the health and well-being of our Barony.

In service,

Mistress Rosalind of WellMark

SCA DISCUSSION GROUP- August 5 Persona Development

On the first Monday of the month, THL Leonora and Syr Deotrich will be hosting a discussion group. Over the months, we will be covering a wide range of topics (asuggestion box will be here for your ideas). All persons interested in things SCA are welcome. We will be focusing on how to make the SCA experience a richer and deeper experience. Modern garb is acceptable.

TOPIC: August 5: Persona Development

What is High Persona and how do I get it? Is "speaking forsoothly" possible for normal human beings or is it a special genetic trait? What is research and how do I do it? Once I find out something about my persona, how can I implement it?

Come prepared to share the story of your persona and how it developed. Bring any items which you feel contribute to your feeling of being in persona.

DETAILS: There is no smoking on the property. If you want to eat or drink something, bring it! Bring pillows to sit on! The door will open at 7:00 p.m. The discussions will start at 7:30 p.m. If you would like to lead one, let us know.

DIRECTIONS: Take your best route to the town of Loveland and take Col. Highway 34 west. On the west edge of town, there will be a stoplight with Safeway, K-Mart, and a Diamond Shamrock station. This is the corner of Wilson (Taft Hill in Fort Collins) and Highway 34 (Eisenhower). Take Wilson south (left) until the 4-way stop. It is First Street (or County 20), go right (west). You will pass one 4-way stop, the Marianna Buttes golf course, and about 1 mile from the golf course the street takes a 25 mph left turn. Just past that turn on the right side is our small, tan house with greenish trim. The snowplow hit our mailbox, so look for the mailbox covered in duct-tape. The drive is U-shaped so come up as far as you can and park on the left side so others can pass.

There will be no discussion group in September due to the holiday.

ADDRESS: 7743 West First Street
PHONE: (970) 669-3835
E-MAIL: foxryde@verinet.com

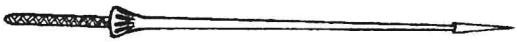
HELP WANTED

IF YOU NEED A RIDE TO DANCE CLASS OR CAN PROVIDE A RIDE, CONTACT ME AT 482-6608 OR 484-5749. THL Theresea

Niew West Fest Demo needs volunteers. Only an hour of 'performance' each night is needed. August 17-18, from 5-6PM. Contact THL Theresea at number above.

Musicians and those who would aspire to make music pray attend!

I would like to try starting a musicians guild in the Barony of Unser-Hafen. My vision is to have a group that meets monthly and learns to play court dance music. If you do not play an instrument, we will be giving basic recorder lessons in parallel with playing the music. If you have a desire to make music with us, please talk (or sing) to me.
Lord Mark, (970) 225 8081, marks@cc.com



If you have knowledge or a skill which you would like to teach to others at the Unser Hafen A & S Collegium in November, please contact Master Thorfinn Greybeard - 667-1284.

RAPIER COLLEGIUM – August 3, Unser Hafen

The fencers of Unser Hafen invite all practitioners of the Art of Rapier to our Barony for a day of fellowship. The event will be held at the Nunn Community Center, 487 Logan Ave., Nunn, CO. Site fee - $3, Feast fee - $5 Reservations limited to 100. For more information contact the autocrat.

9:30 AM	Site opens
10:00 AM	Court
11:00 AM	Off-hand Weapon Construction
	Thinking Medievally
	Rapier Single Point
Noon	Donation Lunch
12:30 PM	Off-hand Weapon Construction, cont'd
	The Complete SCA Fencer
	Rapier Florentine
	Fencing Authorization
1:00 PM	Rapier & Dagger
	Fencing Authorization
2:00 PM	Tavern Brawl*
4:00 PM	A Period Prize
4:30 PM	Prize Procession
5:00 PM	Prize Bout
5:30 PM	Court
7:00 PM	Feast

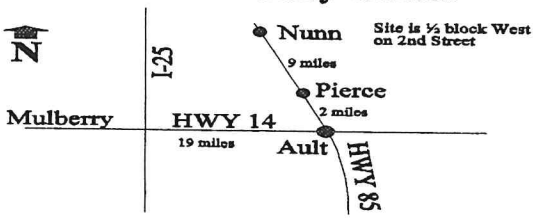
*Join us for a riotous tavern brawl, destined to be an epic event. Bring your foam and paper mache' objects to use as projectiles. There will be competition for the most creative foam or paper mache' object with a Tavern theme.

AUTOCRAT: Lord Gerard de St. Michelle 4501 Boardwalk Dr. Ft. Collins, CO 80525 (970) 226-7080

FEAST COORDINATOR: THL Theresea die Tanzerin (970) 482-6608

Menu:	Breads	Deviled eggs
	Crudites	Dilled Carrots and green beans
	Roast chicken	Cookies and fresh fruits

Nunn Community Center



Three Hawks Champions Tournament
August 9—11 in Dragonsspine

A fighter, a fencer and an archer were seen working together on a brilliant scheme. To go to the Three Hawks Tournament one day and to become the champions after a hard day of play.

The Canton of Hawks Hollow invites one and all to join us on August 9-11 for our FINAL extravaganza!

SITE - located in the Black Forest near Monument, CO. It will open at 2PM Friday and will close at 6PM Sunday. The site fee is FREE and there is a limit of 250 reservations. Make sure to bring proof of SCA membership to the troll booth or a site waiver will have to be signed. There are plenty of trees, NO water (bring your own), two firepits ONLY, firewood, pets must be leashed, each camp must have a fire extinguisher and the site is wet. Please bring your shade pavilions to set up around the field. There is a limited amount of parking and unloading is limited to ½ hour, so be prepared!

DIRECTIONS - Take your best route to I-25, take exit 161 in Monument, then take highway 105 East approximately 2 ½ miles to entrance of site. It is about a mile drive on dirt road to site. The road is one way in many places, so please be cautious and courteous to oncoming cars.

EVENTS - On Saturday will include: archery, fencing, fighting and a bardic competition for individuals and teams. An adult scavenger hunt, a Three Hawks Trivia game, children's games/arts and crafts, an auction and a feast will also take place. On Sunday, there will be a children's archery tournament, children's boffer tourney, fighting and fencing in the woods and an archery shoot.

SCHEDULE -

Friday - 2PM - site opens
Saturday - 10AM - Opening announcements/Court
11AM - List table opens
11:30AM - Reading of the teams
12 Noon - Tournaments begin, children's games, trivia & scavenger hunt
5PM - Auction
6PM - Feast
Dark - Bardic competition, champions & prizes
Sunday - 10AM - Children's Archery Tournament
11AM - Fencing and fighting in the woods
1PM - Children's boffer & adult archery
2PM - Closing announcements & court
6PM - Site closes

FEAST - will take place on Saturday evening and will include: soup, salad, cheese, roast beast, read and fruit. The feast is limited to 100 reservations and the price is a mere $5 for adults, $2 for children 13 and under.

RESERVATIONS - for feast and/or site are due by August 1. Reservations must include for each person: full SCA name, full modern name, group where from and whether child or adult. Check or money order for feast made payable to SCA Hawks Hollow. No reservations will be accepted unless a self addressed stamped envelope is included, for your admission tickets to be mailed to you. If you are in question of available space for feast or site, please call the autocrat.

Merchants are welcome and a tithe is requested for the auction. There will be 10th anniversary T-shirts available for $11-$13, depending on size.

The Canton of Hawks Hollow is excitedly awaiting your arrival!

Reservations/Autocrat
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c/o Sharon Saunders
9430 High Street
Thornton, CO 80229
(303) 288-3828

Feast Coordinator
Lady Ailinn Shadowfox
c/o Karen Swayze
(303) 452-0717

QUEEN'S PRIZE TOURNAMENT

SEPTEMBER 14, CAERTHE

Their Royal Majesties, Irel and Ileana, invite all to participate in the Outlands' second Queen's Prize Tournament. The Barony of Caerthe will be hosting the Tournament at the National Guard Armoury (main hall) located at 55 Potomac St. Aurora, Colorado. The site is wet and non-smoking. The fee is $3.00. A luncheon will be served for an additional $3.00. Please make checks payable to SCA - Barony of Caerthe. Advanced registrations are most appreciated. Tables will be provided for display and for lunch. In addition to the Queen's Prize Tournament, there will be both a heavy weapons and a fencing tournament. The site will open at 9:00 AM and close at 8:00 PM. The lists will open at 10:00 AM and the fighting will commence at 11:00 AM.

All entries must be on site by 10:00 AM. The judging will begin, in stages, at 11:00 AM. Judges are required to check in by 10:00 AM, and to attend an orientation meeting with Her Majesty at 10:30 AM. **Judging will be based on five criteria:**

1) **Documentation:** Is there any at all? Is it logically presented? Are there both primary and secondary sources?

2) **Construction:** How well is the project put together as a whole? What are the weak points, what are the strengths of the construction?

3) **Creativity:** Is the project unique and original, or has the project been previously researched and produced many times?

4) **Authenticity:** Is this product something (or representative of something) that could have existed in the Middle Ages?

5) **General Impression:** Judges will use this area to make any other constructive criticisms, comments and evaluations.

The rules for the Queen's Prize Tournament are as follows:

ENTRANTS:

1) Entrants may not be members of the Order of the Laurel.

2) All entrants must have a sponsor from the Order of the Laurel, Ladies of the Rose, or a Companion of the Desert Flower.

3) Entrants do not have to do something in a field for which the sponsor is known. Entries may be in any field.

4) Entries will be judged on the aforementioned criteria in a kind, humane and constructive manner.

5) Completion of entries is highly encouraged. If the work is incomplete, be prepared to explain the finishing of the entry.

6) All work shall be completed by the entrant. For this reason, group entries are discouraged, but may be entered as long as there is only one entrant in the group.

7) Please make every attempt to be with your entry during the assigned judging time as we are planning on having face-to face judging. There will be a schedule posted.

SPONSORS:

1) Sponsors must be members of the Order of the Laurel, Ladies of the Rose, or Companions of the Desert Flower. No one may sponsor themselves.

2) Each sponsor must bring at least one "prize" or token, preferably made by their own hand, for each entrant they are sponsoring. In this manner, everyone will receive at least one "prize"; however, feel free to make extra tokens to award personally to other entrants.

3) The sponsor may not physically assist in the production of an entry, but is encouraged to teach skills,, help direct research efforts, offer advice or encouragement as needed or requested by the entrant in order to facilitate the production of the entry.

4) Sponsors are responsible for pre-registering their entrants.

5) There is no limit to the number of people you may sponsor, but try not to sponsor so many that you cannot give adequate encouragement and help to all.

6) If either the sponsor or the entrant is unable to attend the event, it is the sponsor's responsibility to make sure the entries/prizes get the event on time.

Members of the populace are encouraged to give tokens to the entrant(s) of their choice. If you are interested in judging contact the autocrat before September 1, 1996. If you would like to be a sponsor of someone entering, but do not have an appropriate partner please contact Mistress Celine (Cynthia Harris) at (505) 254-0586, or preferable on e-mail at selene@unm.edu. To register for Queen's Prize please send the following information to the autocrat: Name, address, and phone# of sponsor; name, address, and phone# of entrant; type of entry (i.e. Woodwork , Costume, etc.); brief description of entry and approx. Dimensions, **No later than September 1st!** For further information or registration please contact the autocrat.

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An Heir to Bayard

A most worrisome thing has occurred for the great and noble Sir Roland has lost his stead. It seems that Bayard has disappeared and Sir Roland must find a mount as Charlamane is soon to face the Sceracens again in Spain. Come one and come all who shall help discover the heir to Bayard that you may demonstrate and examine each stead's great skills in the arts of war. As neither Sir Roland or Emperor Charlamane may attend, they have requested that all may come and help in the selection of the finest stead. The chosen stead will receive much glory in the fight for Charlamane and Sir Roland is sure to reward the rider well. There shall also be an award for the stead with the best barding, to be chosen by those that attend. Charlamane must do battle soon, so on September 7th, 1996, his mount will be chosen from those that present themselves. This search shall occur in the fair Barony of Unser Hafen at the CSU Equestrian Center. There shall be and entrance fee of $6.00 which will include lunch for those who attend. For those who so select ,there will also be a luncheon auction (Men's turn to cook) and participants and purchasers shall receive $4.00 off their entrance fee.

Directions: Take I-25 to the Prospect exit, follow Prospect west to Overland Trail, turn north on Overland Trail. The CSU Equestrian Center will be on the west side of the road between Elizabeth and Mulberry.

Stabling may be available, please contact the autocrat directly.

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Unser Hafen Practices

Fighter Practice

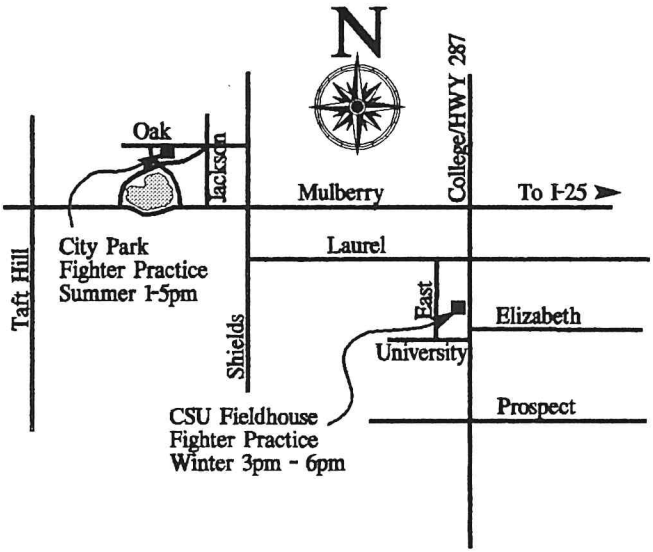
Summer practice is in Fort Collins City Park from 1-5 PM. The Switch to winter hours starts in October or November. It will be from 4-7 PM on Sundays at the CSU Field House.

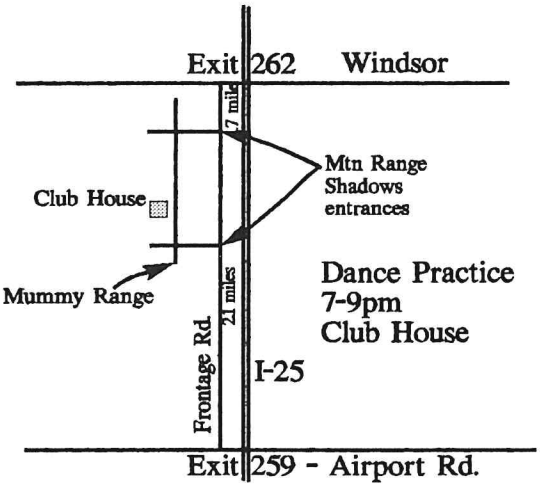
Dance Practice

Second and Fourth Monday's from 7-9 PM at the Mountain Range Shadows Club House. See map.

Archery Practice

Summer practice is 5-7 every Thursday. Winter hours begin in October or November when it moves to every Sunday from 12-2 PM. The site is at the home of Tamlene and Drahomira, a quarter mile east of I-25 on Colorado Hwy. 402.





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in service to the Canton of

bofharrach

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August

Bofharrach A & S Minister

Greetings to the Barony of Unser Hafen from Bofharrach!

The past month has flown by with many changes coming to our fair Canton. We will greatly miss the guidance of both THL Lughbec and Lord Conchobhar. We are saddened by their departure, but encouraged that they will be back after their year sojourn. We are also thrilled at Ariel's award of the Golden Ring. Huzzah! (Again!)

We are still looking for direction/guidance in the formation of a cook's guild. Do we just go with it? We are also still accepting any ideas for children's activities that can be adapted to period style for use with our Urchin's Guild.

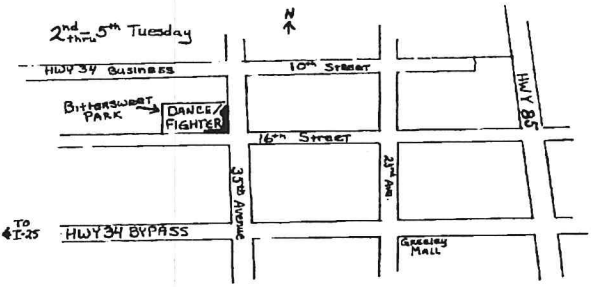
We have been doing much calligraphy and illumination here in Bofharrach this month. We are also doing some costuming and armoring. Horse barding is the next item on our agenda for the coming months. We saw some wonderful pieces at our Fourth of July demo and again at Unser Hafen's Defender. THL Lughbec has completed yet another period pavilion, this with red accent dags. It is truly a marvelous sight. Many members of our fair Canton practiced for the Bardic at Unser Hafen Defender, learning new music, songs, poetry and stories, and practicing creative writing.

We wish you well for the coming month.

In service,

Amice

Bofharrach Tuesday gathering site



From the Seneschal

Failte ui Chealleigh from the Barony's canton of kine kindred. If you have reveled with us in the Cattle Raid, we thank you. If you did not, we hope you will join us next year. Whatever your state, we hope you summer pastures are refreshing you. In honor of the Cattle Raid, we bring you another tale of Bofharrach's legendary progenitor, Allergicus Udderus...

It occurs to me that some of the fine gentles of our Barony may not have heard of our famed founder. It is a matter of pride that Bofharrach was not founded by just anybody (not even a noble anybody). Our founder's tale reaches back through the mists of time to the very dawn of civilization. Allergicus Udderus, our illustrious founder, built the pyramids ((something about a sales scheme), caused the Trojan War, starred in the famous Cattle Raid of Cooley, started Calpurnius Patricus on the road to sainthood, discovered America, ran the first bull in Pamplona, initiated the Crusades, and held the Asian sales record for Ahm Whei. This he did while stealing every worthwhile cow in sight, consuming heroic quantities of beer (even by Irish standards) and never once paying a bar tab. With this spirit of greatness inspiring us, is it any wonder that we of Bofharrach have reached such awesome heights?

violating an 'Endangered Species Act'." He picked up another bundle of files and gestured with them, "These are complaints from woodsmen and Greek Argonauts about restraint of trade. And lastly," he sputtered, "there's a charge from Red Riding Hood that you've been stalking her! Don't you realize how delicate things are right now?". "Delicate?", our hero queried. "Yes, delicate," Bonifacious exclaimed. "We are in the middle of sensitive merger negotiations and here you are raising questions about our intrinsic value." "Merger?", Allergicus asked. "Oh, don't play coy with me," was For many lives of men Allergicus had moved from the mundane to the legendary and back again. The world slowly changed, but (in the manner of all greatness), our hero never did. Empires rose and fell. Money changed from paper to gold and then paper again. It made no difference because our noble protagonist lived by two eternal truths: "No one can ever repossess a beer", and, "If I can guard your cattle better than you can guard your cattle; they're my cattle". So it was that he was little affected by the slow passing of years.

Which is not to say that strange things didn't begin to puzzle him.

One day he was herding cattle towards his caer when he noticed an older girl with a bright red cloak. Must be someone new in the area, he thought. A little bit later he saw her again, and this time she was being stalked by a large wolf. The wolf was making the herd nervous so he whapped it upside the head with his axe. It yelped and scrambled, limping away. The sound startled the girl, who turned towards Allergicus. Her eyes widened as she caught sight of our hero. She pulled the red hood over her head and hurried off into the woods. Sometime later he met some rather puzzled woodsmen who asked him if he'd seen any wolves. Allergicus shook his head and muttered, "This neighborhood's getting strange".

Things went normally for awhile. Allergicus resumed his routine of cattle raids, drinking, small claims courts and (of course) drinking. Then one day, as he was returning from a successful liberation of his cattle from someone else's pasture, he saw something happening in a clearing in the woods. Some warriors were fighting a many-headed serpent in front of a tree. He puzzled over hazy memories and decided that they were Greek, but what was really interesting was hanging in the tree. It seemed to be a sheepskin, stiff with gold. Everyone else seemed to be busy. This wasn't the time for unnecessary questions. He plucked the sheepskin off the tree, slung it over his back and continued on his way home. As he disappeared into the distance he could hear Greek curses echoing over the landscape. Yes, he thought again, the neighborhood was getting a little strange.

After this, he seemed to find weird things nearly every day. There was that enormous blue ox he could never steal because some giant was always protecting it. He almost tripped over another wolf, he could have sworn it was suckling two toddlers. Then there was that house made of candy and cake... Things got so strange that he could hardly turn around without bumping into crowns, chariots or glowing trees. He had to move.

He burned the caer, and moved his herds where ever the grass was good, always moving away from his last home. At last he came to a wide valley with a lake in the center and an island in the middle of the lake. On the island an eagle perched on a cactus with a snake in its talons. A cruciform descended from the clouds and voice from the heavens said, "By this sign shall you conquer!". A silver chalice materialized before him, spinning slowly. A sword rose from the waters of the lake, held by a slender, mail clad, hand.

Allergicus had just burned down his house to escape these kinds of things. He turned away (intending to get as far from this as possible) and walked straight into a man in a pin-striped suit. "Oh my!", the man said, stumbling back and brushing dust from his suit. "You are Allergicus Udderus?", he asked. "Please. My card", and handed our hero a small piece of paper which read:

Bonifacious Extempore
EXTERNAL SERVICE GRADE MCMCCIX
1st Assistant Vice Consul
DEPARTMENT OF ETERNAL AFFAIRS
(Bureau of Myths and Legends)

Our noble progenitor studied the card, then looked up at the man and began, "Are you...". "Yes,", the man interjected, "I am your agent." "My agent?", Allergicus questioned. "Well, we used to be case workers, but that was before the merger talks", Bonifacious explained. He took out a handkerchief and waved it in the general direction of some boulders. The boulders shimmered, wavered and then changed into a partner's desk with file cabinets to the side. "Have a seat, please."

Bonifacious ushered Allergicus over to the desk, walked around to the other side and sat down. He pulled out some files and examined them. Then he flicked some dust off the desk and looked at Allergicus. "You've been a very bad boy since you became a legend", he said. "These," he pointed to a stack of files, "are legal complaints from cattlemen's associations. Cattle theft. It's fairly routine. We take care of this kind of thing all the time. These, however," pointing to another stack of files, "these are more complicated. Here is a complaint from the Wilderness Society for harassing wolves, with (I might add) a complaint from the Fish and Wildlife Service that says something about your Bonifacious' cool reply. "You know as well as I do that we're being acquired by Disney."

Bonifacious leaned across the desk and spoke with quiet intensity, "Myths and legends have been ignored too long. Everyone uses us. Nobody pays. We're public domain! Here comes the first profitable offer (from Disney, no less!) And you muck it up. If even a hint gets out that puts our 'family values' in question, then the purchase price goes way down. The impact on video sales alone is staggering. That's why the vice Consul himself assigned me to clean this up."

He leaned back in his chair, folded his hands across his belly and looked up at the sky as though gathering words for a decisive attack. "I tell you what. You sign this consent agreement and we'll consider the case closed. We'll move you into some new territory and get you more herds. We'll even throw in free access to the Bacchus wine cellar. He straightened up and snapped his fingers. A scroll and pen appeared and were pushed across the desk. Allergicus' eyes brightened at the mention of the wine

cellar, and he leaned forward as if to sign, but he sopped. "What consent?", he asked. Bonifacious waved his hands dismissively, "Nothing really, Disney likes creative control. Every story has to have a happy ending, you know. And if you think you have a problem with happy endings, you should see Beowulf!" He laughed for a long while as Allergicus signed the document.

When they stood up, Bonifacious rolled up the scroll and tucked it into a briefcase. The desk and chairs became an indistinct mist and blew away in the breeze. Bonifacious slapped our hero on the shoulder and pointed towards a stand of woods in the distance. "Shall we?", he asked and they started walking. Once they were in the tress there was a slight shimmering. The clouds opened and a shaft of sunlight illumined an upright sword. Allergicus yanked it out of its stone as he strode past. "Humph, looks pretty good...", he mumbled as he thrust it into his belt. A look of shock, mingled with outrage played on Bonifacious's face. He grabbed his head with both hands and choked out the words, "Another fine myth you've gotten us into!"

Timon Phocas

Bofharrach's Chronicler's Report

GREETINGS FROM THE UDDER COW HERDS!

As you read this missive THL Lughbec and Lord Conchobhar are driving thier chariot across the Known World to the Kingdom of Atlantia. Lord Conchobhar has been granted a small parcel of land complete with castle by his lord, the Earl of Clinton. So now the task of Chronicler of Bofharrach falls to me, Moyra MacColla. I am developing a Scots-Irish persona with interests in equestrian arts, cooking, sewing, and now chronicling for Bofharrach!

July started off very busily for our canton with our participation with Unser Hafen and Caerthe in the Greeley Independence Stampede Parade, we made a grand showing with about 30 gentles, 2 horses, and 1 pony. We had a lot of positive feedback and and as the Autocrat I would like to send out a big THANK-YOU to everyone who with-stood the heat and the sore feet to help make this happen.

Representatives of our group also traveled to the eastern village of Yuma to demonstrate our skills at the Medieval Faire for the Yuma County Library Association. A great deal of interest was cultivated by the local populace as well positive press in three local newspapers.

Unser Hafen Tournaments for Defender, Protector, and Warden were held July 19, 20, and 21. M'lord Aramis of Bofharrach tested his mettle on the Defender battlefield by standing in for overheated warriors. Bofharrach's Warriors, Lorcan and Aramis, added thier might to the Unser Hafen forces in the heavy weapons "Tiff" on Sunday against Baron Sir Otto and his sorely misguided forces. Bofharrach's prowess on the fencing field was brilliantly displayed by Aildhcinna. She also graced a field of contestants for Baronial Bard by singing of her exploits on the fencing field. Mistress Branwynn was so delighted with her skills that she presented Aildhcinna with a token of her esteem.

The Equestrian Demonstration was attended by Their Majesties, Irel and Ileana, and His Highness, Giovanni. Bofharrach's Mounted Cattle Guard participated in the Quadrille, Saracene heads, Pig sticking, Ring jousting, Spear throw, and Flag racing. Lorcan assisted as a horseman's page and Moyra rode her warhorse Windell.

Their Excellencies, Praefectus Titus and Chieftain Llamrei, inducted Bofharrach's changing officers. Lorcan is now the Knight Marshall, Melora is our Hospitaller and Moyra is Bofharrach's Chronicler. Their Excellencies also graced our fair canton by including Lorcan as a Warrior of Unser Hafen and enlisting Lorcan and Aildhcinna as members of Unser Hafen's Baronial Guard.

Their Majesties, Irel and Ileana graciously bestowed the Award of Arms on two of Bofharrach's officers. Congratulations to Lady Ariel and Lady Aildhcinna who were thanked for their service.

Defender weekend was an exceedingly enjoyable time. I must make note of how exiciting it was to watch melees for the first time. The Saxon games were a grand display of teamwork and skill at arms. The battles on Sunday were a glorious clash of warriors and rattan. . All of Bofharrach is looking foreward to the next challenge with great anticipation!

Bofharrach would like thank Baron Sir Kevin for his gracious gift of hand cast pewter tokens for those with proof of SCA membership that attended the Bofharrach Cattle Raid in June. The face was a smiling highland cow and the reverse had written "The Cattle Raid of Bofharrach" in ogham. They are treasured by all who received them.

May your Bulls be prolific and your Cows ever fertile.

In Service,

Moyra MacColla

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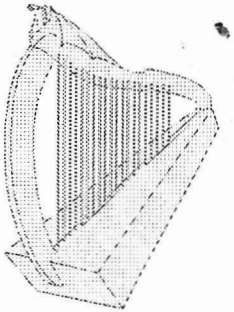

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